

**Technology Subcommittee**  
**Chairs Henry Carter and Edward Hearst**  
**Stanford University**  
**May 2, 2003**

9:30am Meeting begun, welcome and introduction to first set of panelists

Panel I

- Lauren Gelman, Stanford University Law Professor—Discussed the notion of democracy and governmental transparency, questioned how the Internet might be used to foster more of each.
- Jeff Lennan, Digital Campaigns—Introduced software that would allow for the creation of an integrated database of constituents across voting precincts. Addressed issues of privacy, voter lists as campaign contributions, etc.
- David Chiu, Grassroots Enterprise—Spoke about technology opening up the possibility of online grassroots membership. Again brought in issues of privacy, list/information ownership, access.
- Sonia Arrison, Pacific Research Institute—Discussed methods of spam filtering, digital fraud; focused on issues of privacy and access.
- Chris Kelley, Baker and McKenzie—Addressed the problem of storing personal information on the web because it can be borrowed by others, questions of privacy. Brought up the concern that privacy is not just about a lack of surveillance, but what is being tracked.
- Kirk Deiningner, Zantaz—Discussed the use of archives, what types of information are kept in archives, who can access these files.

12:30pm Break for lunch

1:30 Meeting reconvened, welcome and introduction of second set of panelists

Panel II

- Craig Newmark, craigslist.com—Discussed his own (personal) role as a possible lobbyist against spam, asked for assistance from lawmakers in clarifying whether online activists should follow lobbyist regulations and in further combating spam online.
- Bill Whalen, Hoover Institution—Self-described pundit, explained the use of the Internet in his own work gathering political information. Also discussed the effort to recall Governor Gray Davis as a case study in online activism. Suggested the use of the Internet to foster more political discussion between candidates and to encourage journalists to increase coverage of political issues.

2:30 Meeting ended, thanks to attendees, participants.

Commissioners in attendance: Geoff Cowan, Deirdre Mulligan, Henry Carter, Edward Hearst, Harvey Englander.